

PCI-1713

32-ch Isolated Analog Input Card

User Manual

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CE

This product has passed the CE test for environmental specifications when shielded cables are used for external wiring. We recommend the use of shielded cables. This kind of cable is available from Advantech. Please contact your local supplier for ordering information.

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- Step 1. Visit the Advantech web site at **www.advantech.com/support** where you can find the latest information about the product.
- Step 2. Contact your distributor, sales representative, or Advantech's customer service center for technical support if you need additional assistance. Please have the following information ready before you call:
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 - Description of your peripheral attachments
 - Description of your software (operating system, version, application software, etc.)
 - A complete description of the problem
 - The exact wording of any error messages

Safety Instructions

1. Read these safety instructions carefully.
2. Keep this User's Manual for later reference.
3. Disconnect this equipment from any AC outlet before cleaning. Use a damp cloth. Do not use liquid or spray detergents for cleaning.
4. For plug-in equipment, the power outlet socket must be located near the equipment and must be easily accessible.
5. Keep this equipment away from humidity.
6. Put this equipment on a reliable surface during installation. Dropping it or letting it fall may cause damage.
7. The openings on the enclosure are for air convection. Protect the equipment from overheating. **DO NOT COVER THE OPENINGS.**
8. Make sure the voltage of the power source is correct before connecting the equipment to the power outlet.
9. Position the power cord so that people cannot step on it. Do not place anything over the power cord.
10. All cautions and warnings on the equipment should be noted.
11. If the equipment is not used for a long time, disconnect it from the power source to avoid damage by transient overvoltage.
12. Never pour any liquid into an opening. This may cause fire or electrical shock.
13. Never open the equipment. For safety reasons, the equipment should be opened only by qualified service personnel.
14. If one of the following situations arises, get the equipment checked by service personnel:
 - a. The power cord or plug is damaged.
 - b. Liquid has penetrated into the equipment.
 - c. The equipment has been exposed to moisture.
 - d. The equipment does not work well, or you cannot get it to work according to the user's manual.
 - e. The equipment has been dropped and damaged.
 - f. The equipment has obvious signs of breakage.
15. **DO NOT LEAVE THIS EQUIPMENT IN AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE THE STORAGE TEMPERATURE MAY GO BELOW -**

20° C (-4° F) OR ABOVE 60° C (140° F). THIS COULD DAMAGE THE EQUIPMENT. THE EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE IN A CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT.

16. CAUTION: DANGER OF EXPLOSION IF BATTERY IS INCORRECTLY REPLACED. REPLACE ONLY WITH THE SAME OR EQUIVALENT TYPE RECOMMENDED BY THE MANUFACTURER, DISCARD USED BATTERIES ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS.

The sound pressure level at the operator's position according to IEC 704-1:1982 is no more than 70 dB (A).

DISCLAIMER: This set of instructions is given according to IEC 704-1. Advantech disclaims all responsibility for the accuracy of any statements contained herein.

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Overview

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- Features
- Specifications
- Block Diagram

Chapter 1 Overview

1.1 Introduction

The PCI-1713 is a 12-bit 32-channel analog input card for the PCI bus. It provides 32 analog input channels with a sampling rate up to 100k samples/s, 12-bit resolution and isolation protection of 2500 VDC.

PCI-bus Plug and Play

The PCI-1713 uses a PCI controller to interface the card with the PCI bus. The controller fully implements the PCI bus specification Rev 2.1. All bus relative configurations, such as base address and interrupt assignment, are automatically controlled by software.

Flexible Input Types and Range Settings

The PCI-1713 features an automatic channel/gain scanning circuit. The circuit, rather than your software, controls multiplexer switching during sampling. The on-board SRAM stores different gain values and configurations for each channel. This design lets you perform multi-channel sampling with different gains for each channel and with free combination of single-ended and differential inputs.

High-speed Data Acquisition

The PCI-1713 provides a sampling rate up to 100k samples/s. It has an on-board FIFO buffer, which can store up to 4K A/D samples and generates an interrupt signal when the FIFO is half full. This feature provides continuous high-speed data transfer and more predictable performance on Windows systems.

Supports S/W, Internal and External Pacer Triggering

The PCI-1713 supports three kinds of trigger modes for A/D conversion: software triggering, internal pacer triggering and external pacer triggering. The software trigger allows users to acquire a sample when it is needed; the internal pacer triggers continuous high-speed data acquisition. The PCI-1713 also accepts external trigger sources, allowing synchronous sampling with external devices.

Satisfies the Need for Isolation Protection

The PCI-1713 provides optical isolation protection of 2500 VDC between the inputs and the PC bus to protect the PC and peripherals from damage due to high voltages on the input lines. It is ideal for the situations where budget-conscious users require flexibility, stability and a high level of isolation protection for their data acquisition system.

1.2 Features

- 32 single-ended or 16 differential analog inputs, or a combination
- 12-bit A/D converter, with up to 100 kHz sampling rate
- Programmable gain for each input channel
- Automatic channel/gain scanning
- Onboard 4K samples FIFO buffer
- Programmable pacer

1.3 Specifications

Analog Input:

- Channels: 32 single-ended or 16 differential (software programmable)
- Resolution: 12-bit
- Onboard FIFO: 4K samples
- Conversion time: 2.5 μ s

Input Range:

- Bipolar: ± 10 V, ± 5 V, ± 2.5 V, ± 1.25 V, ± 0.625 V
- Unipolar: 0 ~ 10 V, 0 ~ 5 V, 0 ~ 2.5 V, 0 ~ 1.25 V
- Maximum Input Overvoltage: ± 30 V
- Common Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)

Gain	CMRR
0.5, 1	75dB
2	80dB
4	84dB
8	84dB

- Maximum sampling rate: 100 kHz

- Accuracy: (depending on gain)

Gain	Accuracy
0.5, 1	0.01% of FSR \pm 1LSB
2	0.02% of FSR \pm 1LSB
4	0.02% of FSR \pm 1LSB
8	0.04% of FSR \pm 1LSB

- Linearity error: ± 1 LSB
- Drift: Typical 30 PPM / $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (0 ~ 60 $^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- Input impedance: 1 GW
- Trigger mode: Software, on-board programmable pacer or external
- Trigger Input: TTL level

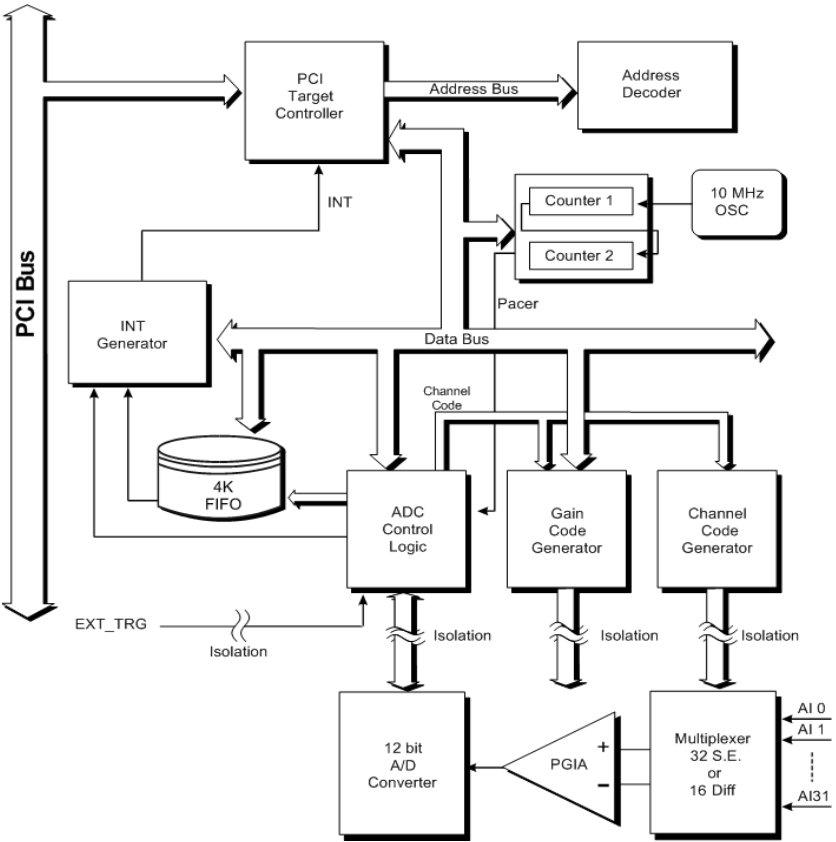
Programmable Timer/Counter

- Counter chip: 82C54 or equivalent
- Counters: 3 channels, 16 bits
 - 2 channels are permanently configured as programmable pacers;
 - 1 channel is un-used.
- Time base:
 - Channel 1: 10 MHz
 - Channel 2: Takes input from output of channel 1
 - Channel 0: un-used.

General:

- I/O Connector: 37-pin D-type female connector
- Dimensions: 175 mm x 100 mm (6.9" x 3.9")
- Power consumption: +5 V @ 850 mA (Typical),
- +5 V @ 1.0 A (Max.)
- Operating temperature: 0 ~ +60 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (32 ~ 140 $^{\circ}\text{F}$)
- Storage temperature: -20 ~ +70 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (-4 ~ 158 $^{\circ}\text{F}$)
- Operating humidity: 5 ~ 95%RH non-condensing
- MTBF: over 85,310 hrs @ 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, grounded, fixed environment

1.4 Block Diagram



Installation

Sections include:

- Initial Inspection
- Unpacking
- Installation Instructions

Chapter 2 Installation

2.1 Initial Inspection

Before installing the PCI-1713, check the card for visible damage. We have carefully inspected the card both mechanically and electrically before shipment. It should be free of marks and in perfect order upon receipt.

As you unpack the PCI-1713, check it for signs of shipping damage (damaged box, scratches, dents, etc.). If it is damaged or fails to meet specifications, notify our service department or your local sales representative immediately. Also, call the carrier immediately and retain the shipping carton and packing materials for inspection by the carrier. We will then make arrangements to repair or replace the unit.

2.2 Unpacking

The PCI-1713 contains components that are sensitive and vulnerable to static electricity. Discharge any static electricity on your body to ground by touching the back of the system unit (grounded metal) before you touch the board.

Remove the PCI-1713 card from its protective packaging by grasping the card's rear panel. Handle the card only by its edges to avoid static discharge which could damage its integrated circuits. Keep the antistatic package. Whenever you remove the card from the PC, protect the card by storing it in this package.

You should also avoid contact with materials that hold static electricity such as plastic, vinyl and styrofoam.

Check the product contents inside the packing. There should be one card, one CD-ROM, and this manual. Make sure nothing is missing.

2.3 Installation Instructions

The PCI-1713 can be installed in any PCI slot in the computer. However, refer to the computer user's manual to avoid any mistakes and danger before you follow the installation procedure below:

1. Turn off your computer and any accessories connected to the computer.

Warning!TURN OFF your computer power supply whenever you install or remove any card, or connect and disconnect cables.

2. Disconnect the power cord /other cables from the back of the computer.
3. Remove the cover of the computer.
4. Select an empty +5 V PCI slot. Remove the screw that secures the expansion slot cover to the system unit. Save the screw to secure the interface card retaining bracket.
5. Carefully grasp the upper edge of the PCI-1713. Align the hole in the retaining bracket with the hole on the expansion slot and align the gold striped edge connector with the expansion slot socket. Press the card into the socket gently but firmly. Make sure the card fits the slot tightly.
6. Secure the PCI-1713 by screwing the mounting bracket to the back panel of the computer.
7. Attach any accessories (D-type cable, terminal board, etc.) to the card.
8. Replace the cover of your computer. Reconnect any cables.
9. Turn the computer power on.

Signal Connections

Sections include:

- Overview
- I/O Connector
- Analog Input Connections
- Field Wiring Considerations

Chapter 3 Signal Connections

3.1 Overview

Correct signal connections are one of the most important factors in ensuring that your application system is sending and receiving data correctly. A good signal connection can avoid much unnecessary and costly damage to your valuable PC and other hardware devices. This chapter will provide some useful information about how to connect analog input signals to the PCI-1713 card via the I/O connector.

3.2 I/O Connector

The I/O connector for the PCI-1713 card is a 37-pin D-type connector which you can connect to 37-pin D-type accessories with Advantech's PCL-10137 cable.

Note!: The PCI-1713 does not include the PCL-10137 cable assembly.

The following figure shows the pin assignments for the 37-pin I/O connector on the PCI-1713 card.

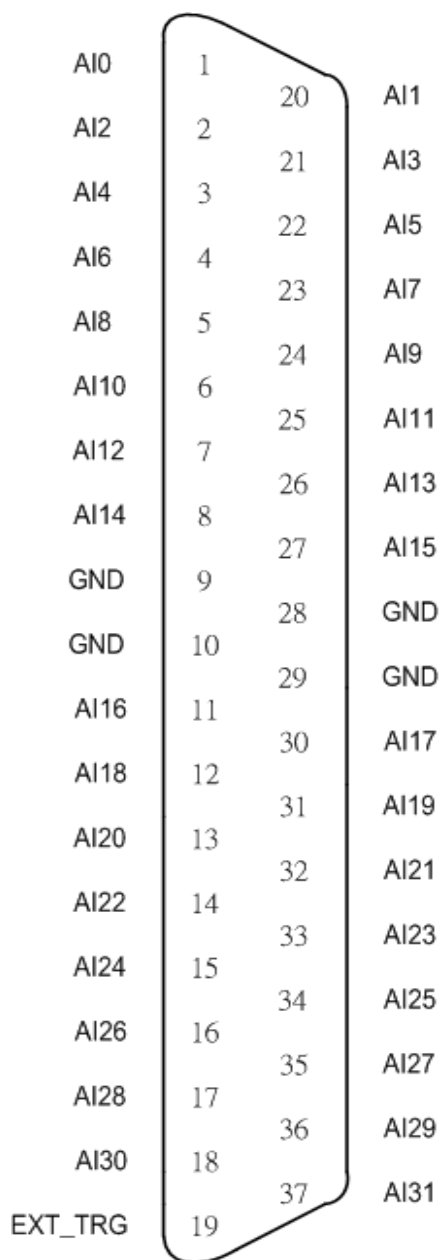


Figure 3.1: I/O Connector Pin Assignments

I/O Connector Signal Descriptions

A/D code		Mapping Voltage	
Hex.	Dec.	Bipolar $\pm 5V$	Unipolar 0 to 10V
000h	0	-4.9971V	0V
7FFh	2047	-0.0024V	4.9947V
800h	2048	0V	4.9971V
FFFh	4095	+4.9947V	9.9918V

3.3 Analog Input Connections

This section continues to describe how to make analog input signal connections to the PCI-1713 card via the I/O connector.

Single-ended Channel Connections

The single-ended input configuration has only one signal wire for each channel, and the measured voltage (V_m) is the voltage of the wire referred to the common ground.

A signal source without a local ground is also called a “floating source”. It is fairly simple to connect a single-ended channel to a floating signal source. In this mode, the PCI-1713 card provides a reference ground for external floating signal sources.

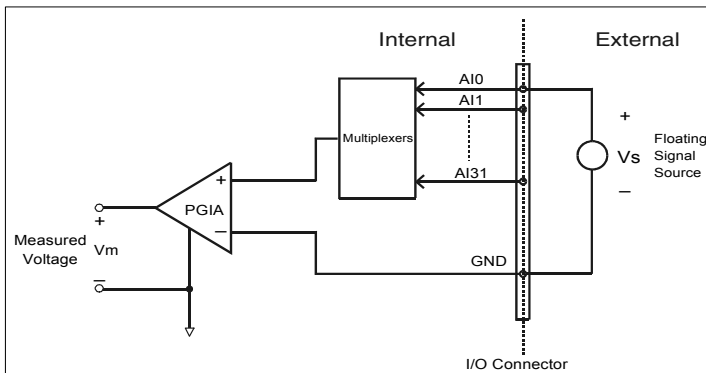


Figure 3.2: Single-ended Input Ch.

Differential Channel Connections

The differential input configuration has two signal wires for each channel, and the differential input responds only to voltage differences between High and Low inputs. On the PCI-1713 card, when all channels are configured to differential input, up to 16 analog channels are available.

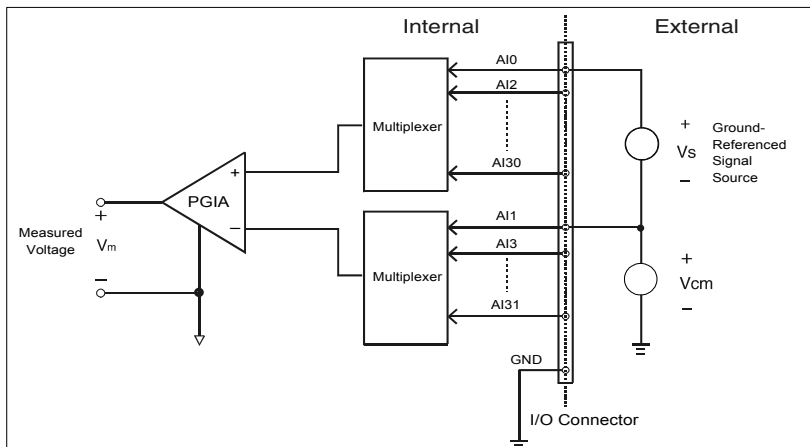


Figure 3.3: Differential Input Ch. - Grounded

If one side of the signal source is connected to a local ground, the signal source is ground-referenced. The ground of the signal source and the ground of the PCI-1713 will not be at exactly the same voltage, as they are connected through the ground return of the equipment and building wiring. The difference between the ground voltages forms a common-mode voltage (V_{cm}).

To avoid the ground loop noise effect caused by common-mode voltages, you can connect the signal ground to the Low input. Figure 3-3 shows a differential channel connection between a ground-referenced signal source and an input channel on the PCI-1713 card. With this connection, the PGIA rejects a common-mode voltage V_{cm} between the signal source and the PCI-1713 ground, shown as V_{cm} in Figure 3-3.

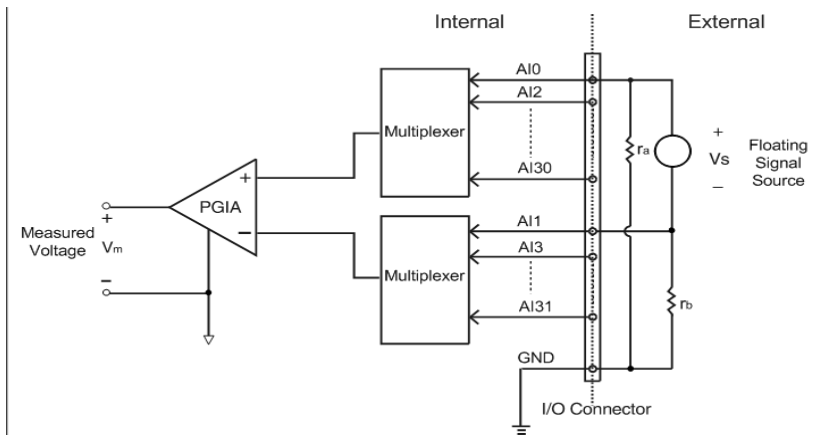
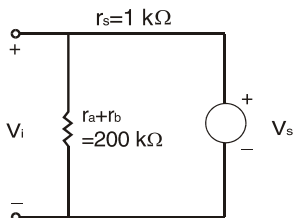


Figure 3.4: Differential Input Ch. - Floating

If a floating signal source is connected to the differential input channel, the signal source may exceed the common-mode signal range of the PGIA, and the PGIA will be saturated with erroneous voltage-readings. You must therefore reference the signal source to the AIGND.

Figure 3-4 shows a differential channel connection between a floating signal source and an input channel on the PCI-1713 card. In this figure, each side of the floating signal source is connected through a resistor to the AIGND. This connection can reject the common-mode voltage between the signal source and the PCI-1713 card ground.



V_s : ideal signal source

V_i : measured signal source

r_s : output impedance of signal source

r_a, r_b : series-wound resistors

$$V_i = \frac{r_a + r_b}{r_s + r_a + r_b} V_s = \frac{200}{1 + 200} V_s = \frac{200}{201} V_s$$

$$\text{Gain error} = \frac{V_i - V_s}{V_s} = -\frac{1}{201} = -0.5\%$$

External Trigger Source Connection

In addition to pacer triggering, the PCI-1713 card also allows external triggering for A/D conversions. A low-to-high edge coming from EXT_TRG will trigger an A/D conversion on the PCI-1713 board.

Note!: Don't connect any signal to the EXT_TRG pin when the external trigger function is not being used.

Note!: If you use external triggering for A/D conversions, we recommend you choose differential mode for all analog input signals, so as to reduce the cross-talk noise caused by the external trigger source.

3.4 Field Wiring Considerations

When you use the PCI-1713 card to acquire outside data, environmental noise can seriously affect the accuracy of your measurements if you don't provide any protection. The following suggestions will be helpful when running signal wires between signal sources and the PCI-1713 card.

- Please make sure that you have carefully routed signal cables to the card. You must separate the cabling from noise sources. Try to keep video monitors far away from the analog signal cables, because these are a common noise source in a PCI data acquisition system.
- If you want to reduce common-mode noise, try to use differential analog input connections.
- If you do not want your signals to be affected when travelling through areas with high electromagnetic interference or large magnetic fields, try the following routing techniques: Use individually shielded, twisted-pair wires to connect analog input signals to the board, i.e. the signals connected to the High and Low inputs are twisted together and covered with a shield. Finally, connect the shield only to one point at the signal source ground.
- Make sure that your signal lines do not travel through conduits, because these may contain power lines. Also, keep your signals far from electric motors, breakers or welding equipment, as these can create magnetic fields.
- Keep a reasonable distance between high-voltage (or high-current) lines and signal cables connected to the PCI-1713 card if the cables run parallel, or route signal cables at right angles to high voltage/current cables.

Calibration

Sections include:

- Introduction
- VR Assignments
- A/D Calibration

Chapter 4 Calibration

4.1 Introduction

Regular calibration checks are important to maintain accuracy in data acquisition and control applications. To assist users in the A/D calibration process, we provide the Advantech Device Manager, on the PCI-1713 software CD-ROM.

The Advantech Device Manager makes A/D calibrations easy. It leads you through the calibration and setup procedure with a variety of prompts and graphic displays, showing you all of the correct settings and adjustments. This chapter offers a brief guide to these calibration programs.

To perform a satisfactory calibration, you need a 41/2-digit digital multimeter and a voltage calibrator or a stable, noise free D. C. voltage source.

4.2 VR Assignments

There are four variable resistors (VRs) on the PCL-1713 card. They help you to make accurate adjustments on all A/D channels. Please refer to the following figure for VR positions.

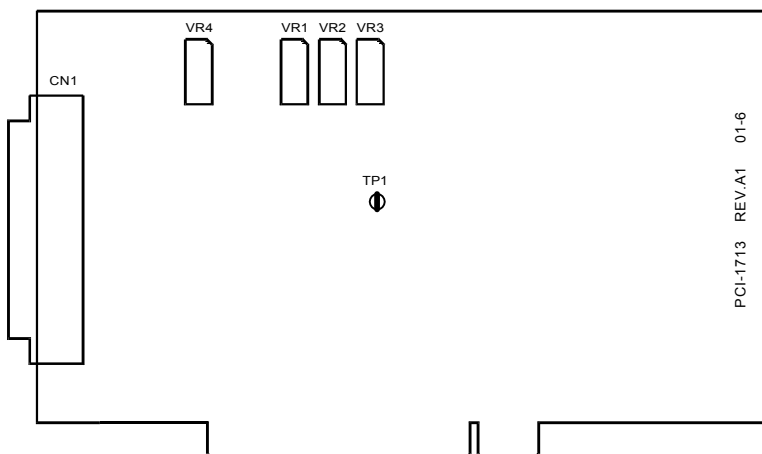


Figure 4.1: PCL-1713 VR Assignments

The following list shows the function of each VR:

VR Function

VR1 A/D full scale (gain)

VR2 A/D bipolar offset

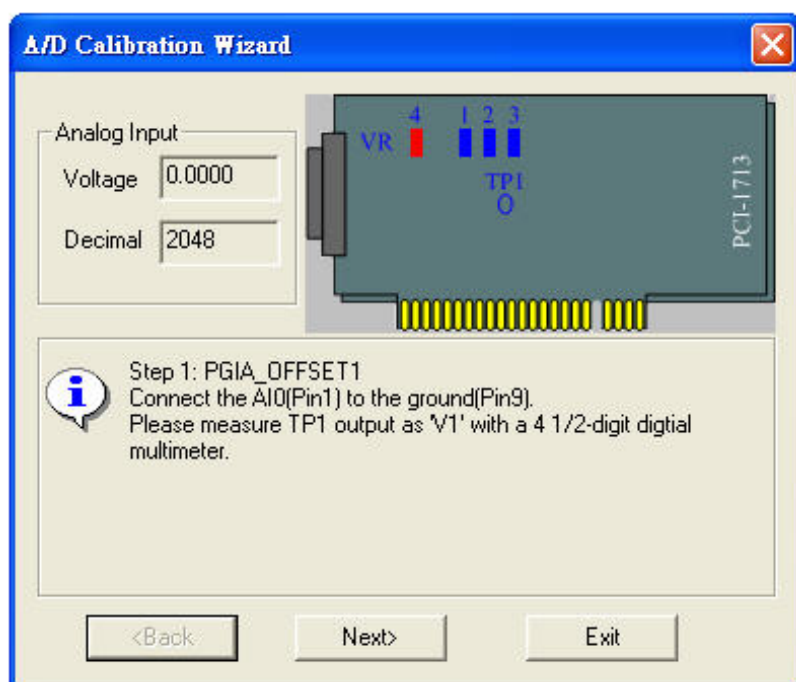
VR3 A/D unipolar offset

VR4 PGIA initial offset

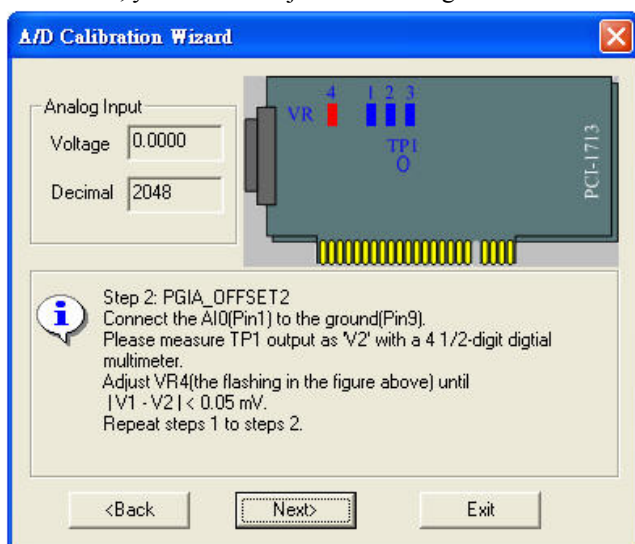
TP1 PGIA output

4.3 A/D Calibration

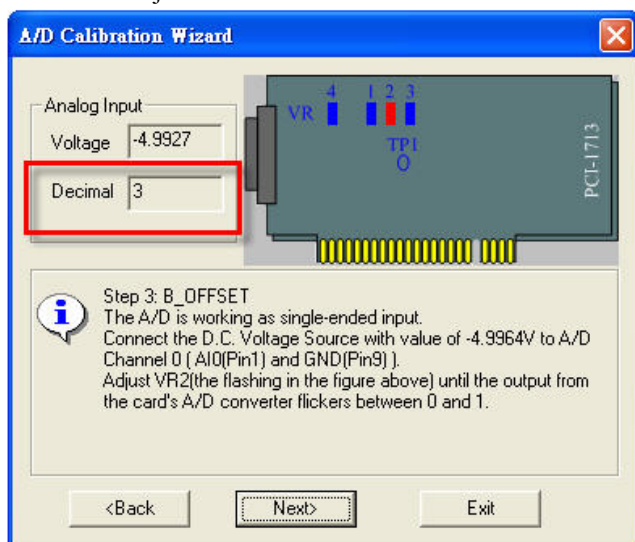
1. Connect Pin1 to Pin9 and measure the output as "V1" from TP1.



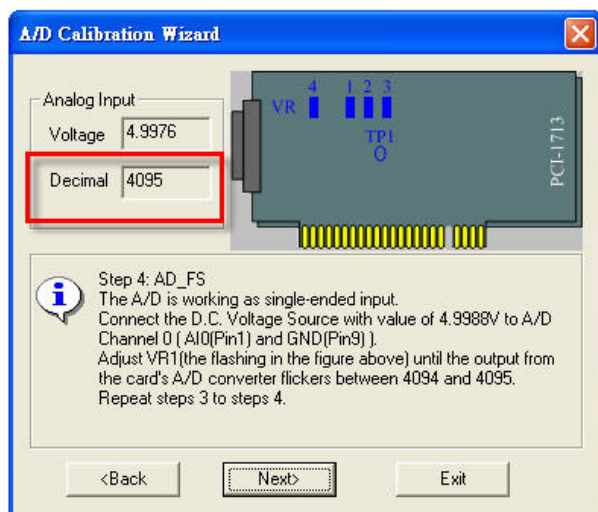
2. Adjust VR4 until $|V1 - V2| < 0.05\text{mV}$. For example, if the $V1$ is 0.1mV in the beginning and you get $V2$ as 0.02mV after adjusting the VR4, you have to adjust the VR4 again.



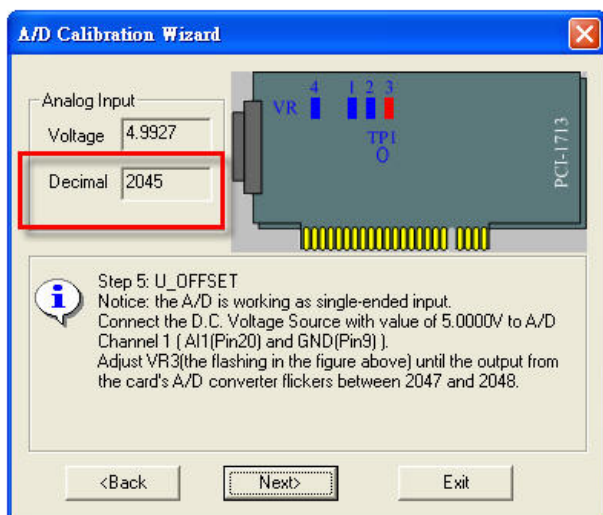
3. Input -5V to AI0 by signal generator and check if the "Decimal" flickers between 0 and 1. For example, it is 3 for my calibration, so I have to adjust the VR2.



4. Input 5V to AI0 by signal generator and check if the "Decimal" flickers between 4094 and 4095.



5. Input 5V to AI1 by signal generator and check if the "Decimal" flickers between 2047 and 2048.



Calibration finished.

A/D code		Mapping Voltage	
Hex.	Dec.	Bipolar $\pm 5V$	Unipolar 0 to 10V
000h	0	-4.9971V	0V
7FFh	2047	-0.0024V	4.9947V
800h	2048	0V	4.9971V
FFFh	4095	+4.9947V	9.9918V